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## HOUSE RESOLUTION

COMMENDING THE CIVIL AIR PATROL FOR ITS UNWAVERING COMMITMENT TO  
FAITHFULLY AND HONORABLY SERVE THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF  
HAWAII.

1 WHEREAS, the CIVIL AIR PATROL was founded on December 1,  
2 1941, to allow private pilots and aviation enthusiasts to use  
3 their light aircraft and flying skills in civil defense efforts  
4 during the Second World War; and

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6 WHEREAS, the CIVIL AIR PATROL was congressionally chartered  
7 in 1948 as the official auxiliary of the United States Air Force  
8 and fulfills three main missions: aerospace education, cadet  
9 programs, and emergency services, including air and ground  
10 search and rescue, disaster relief, counterdrug operations, and  
11 an increasing role in homeland security; and

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13 WHEREAS, the Hawaii Wing of the CIVIL AIR PATROL was formed  
14 in 1948 under Colonel Benjamin F. Dillingham Jr., and consisted  
15 of some 200 members; and

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17 WHEREAS, today the Hawaii Wing consists of approximately  
18 600 members and the following squadrons: Wheeler CS, HI-009;  
19 Lyman CS, HI-043; Maui CS, HI-057; Kona CS, HI-060; The 66<sup>th</sup>  
20 Squadron, HI-066; Kauai CS, HI-073; West Oahu CS, HI-075; Kihei  
21 CS, HI-076; and Honolulu Flight, HI-078; and

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23 WHEREAS, exemplifying true leadership in times of  
24 emergencies, the Hawaii Wing of the CIVIL AIR PATROL assists the  
25 United States Coast Guard and local first responders by  
26 conducting 25 to 30 search and rescue missions annually, and in  
27 the aftermath of Hurricane Iniki, the Hawaii Wing assessed the  
28 damage and relayed its findings directly to Governor John David  
29 Waihee III; and



1 WHEREAS, during the 2012 tsunami warning for Hawaii after a  
2 7.7-magnitude earthquake off of British Columbia, the CIVIL AIR  
3 PATROL flew Cessna aircraft outfitted with loud speakers over  
4 beaches and residential areas in the Tsunami Inundation Zone to  
5 warn the public to evacuate the area; and

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7 WHEREAS, as part of a collaborative effort in June of 2012,  
8 the CIVIL AIR PATROL was called up for duty to assist government  
9 agencies responding to the Hikimoe Ridge wildfire on Kauai by  
10 conducting flyovers to monitor the blaze; and

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12 WHEREAS, for over 60 years, the Hawaii Wing of the CIVIL  
13 AIR PATROL has provided guidance, assistance, and training and  
14 continues to perform its mission of homeland security, disaster  
15 response, citizen development, and aerospace education; and

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17 WHEREAS, the people of the State of Hawaii are proud to  
18 recognize these dedicated, courageous, and exceptional  
19 individuals who serve the community and contribute to the  
20 overall well-being of the State through the CIVIL AIR PATROL;  
21 now, therefore,

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23 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the  
24 Twenty-seventh Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular  
25 Session of 2013, that this body hereby commends the CIVIL AIR  
26 PATROL for its unwavering commitment to faithfully and honorably  
27 serve the people of the State of Hawaii, expresses its sincere  
28 gratitude to the Hawaii Wing for its efforts to improve public  
29 safety throughout the islands, and extends to the pilots and  
30 personnel of the CIVIL AIR PATROL its warmest aloha and best  
31 wishes for continued success in all future endeavors.

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